

**Town of Mansfield
Public Safety Committee
July 14, 2010
Audrey Beck Municipal Building, Council Chambers**

Minutes - DRAFT

Members Present: A. Barberet, Maj. R. Blicher, C. Paulhus, Warden M. Rinaldi, Lt. W. Solenski, W. Stauder (Chair), S. Thomas

Staff Present: Maria Capriola (Town), Deputy Warden Sondra Montesi (DOC)

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

II. Minutes of 4/14/10

The minutes of 4/14/10 were moved by Ms. Barberet, seconded by Lt. Solenski, and approved unanimously as presented.

III. Warden's Report and Discussion

Warden Rinaldi provided an update on the population. Currently there are 1,002 inmates. The Committee reviewed the list of offenses. Recreational hours have been extended as daylight hours have increased. Bergin continues to lead the state in GEDs awarded to inmates; 88 GEDs have been awarded year-to-date. More addiction services are being offered; Bergin now has the most diverse addiction services program in the state.

Warden Rinaldi informed the Committee that inmates recently assisted with the Ashford Library Book sale and door installation in the dorms at UCONN. Major Blicher/UCONN Police Department was not notified about the inmates working on campus. Major Blicher objects to the process of having inmates work on UCONN property at all. He places no fault on the Warden; he stated that he believes that the purpose of the Committee is for communication purposes between the stakeholders and talking through issues such as this. The Major and Warden agreed to discuss the matter further and will follow-up on this. The Committee then discussed the process for how inmates are cleared for outside work details. The thorough process includes review at various levels such as the Security Risk Group, Deputy Warden, and Warden.

IV. Chairperson's Report

Community Notification Test. By consensus the Committee agreed to conduct a community notification system test August 18, 2010. A letter will be sent to residents and businesses on the notification list.

Bergin Open House. Ms. Stauder reminded the Committee of the open house for local officials at Bergin on July 21st. Ms. Capriola agreed to send a reminder on the Committee's behalf to the Town Council.

V. Communications

The Committee reviewed the memorandum from the Committee on Committees regarding communicating Town positions.

VI. Public Comment

None.

VII. Adjournment

Mr. Paulhus moved, and Lt. Solenski seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Maria Capriola, M.P.A., Assistant to Town Manager